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MEMORANDUM FOR: Development Branch, DD/P

SUBJECT: Digitote and Frequency Marks

REFERENCE: COR 1042, dated 20 December 1960

1. After talking with you on the telephone, I recognize the other alternate possibility concerning the extension of the format.

2. To clarify our position, let me restate what I wrote on 20 December 1960. PIC is still in favor of the format extension. If the format extension is to be used as a means of increasing overlap, this is desirable, particularly from the standpoint of the benefits received from increased stereo viewing areas, even though slightly impaired by the superimposition of the frequency marks.

3. However, if the format extension is used to accomplish additional linear ground coverage while maintaining the standard ten percent forward overlap, this is also favorable to PIC, only with the reservation that we desire that the frequency marks do not completely destroy the stereo benefits we get from the ten percent overlap. If I understand you correctly, you intend to follow the latter course and this is agreeable to PIC.

Chief, TISD

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